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NLRB ANNOUNCES THE APPOINTMENT OF FOUR ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGES

The National Labor Relations Board today announced the appointment of four new administrative law judges to replenish the ranks of its Judges Division, which has experienced and, it is anticipated, will continue to experience a substantial number of retirements.

The new additions, all of whom will report for duty some time this month, will temporarily increase the number of judges nationwide to 65. As recently as November 1993, the Board employed 78 judges.

The Judges Division, which has offices in Washington, New York, San Francisco and Atlanta, is responsible for conducting hearings and issuing recommended decisions in unfair labor practice cases brought by the Board's General Counsel on charges filed by unions, employers and individual workers. Judges' decisions may be appealed to the five-member Board itself and then to U.S. Courts of Appeals.

The new additions are experienced judges who are transferring to the Board from other agencies. They also have had considerable previous experience in various facets of labor law. The new Board judges, Arthur Amchan, George Carson, William Kocol and C. Richard Miserendino, will be based in Washington, D.C.

Arthur Amchan has been an administrative law judge for 5 years, first with the Social Security Administration and, most recently, with the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission. He also worked as an attorney for 17 years in the Solicitor's Office at the Department of Labor. Judge Amchan is a graduate of Miami University of Ohio and the Harvard Law School.

George Carson has been an administrative law judge with the Social Security
Administration for 3 years. For the previous 20 years, Judge Carson served as an attorney, trial specialist and supervisory attorney in the NLRB's Winston-Salem Regional Office. He received both his A.B and J.D. degrees from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

William Kocol has been an administrative law judge with the Social Security Administration since May 1994. Before that, he spent over 20 years in various positions in the NLRB's Regional Office in Chicago, serving as Deputy Regional Attorney from 1981 to 1994. Judge Kocol received his undergraduate degree from the University of Illinois and his law degree from the University of Wisconsin.

C. Richard Miserendino has been an administrative law judge for the Social Security Administration for the past 2 years. He has worked for the Department of Labor and the National Mediation Board, and spent a number of years in private practice, primarily representing employers in the field of labor and employment law. He has also served as a labor arbitrator. Judge Miserendino received his undergraduate degree from Temple University, a master's degree from the School of Industrial Relations at Cornell University, and a law degree from Catholic University.